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Enclosed are also:

- 16 Pages of Specification including an Abstract  
 05 Pages of Claims  
 08 Sheet(s) of Drawings  
 A Declaration and Power of Attorney (z)  
 Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation (z)  
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## CLAIMS AS FILED

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